## **State of South Dakota**

## SEVENTY-NINTH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2004

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## HOUSE BILL NO. 1094

Introduced by: Representatives O'Brien, Gillespie, Haverly, Konold, Michels, Olson (Mel), Van Etten, and Wick and Senators Schoenbeck, Albers, Bogue, Brown, Duxbury, Ham-Burr, McCracken, Moore, and Olson (Ed)

- 1 FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to revise certain provisions regarding the grounds for
- 2 cancellation, revocation, suspension, or limitation of a physician's license.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
- 4 Section 1. That § 36-4-29 be amended to read as follows:
- 5 36-4-29. The South Dakota State Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners may cancel,
- 6 revoke, suspend, or limit the license of any physician, surgeon, or osteopathic physician, or
- 7 surgeon issued under this chapter upon satisfactory proof by a preponderance of the evidence
- 8 in compliance with chapter 1-26 of such a licensee's gross professional incompetence, or
- 9 unprofessional or dishonorable conduct, or proof of a violation of this chapter in any respect.
- 10 However, the board may not base a finding of unprofessional or dishonorable conduct solely on
- 11 the basis that a licensee practices chelation therapy.
- For the purposes of this section, professional incompetence is a deviation from the statewide
- 13 standard of competence, which is that minimum degree of skill and knowledge necessary for
- 14 the performance of characteristic tasks of a physician or surgeon in at least a reasonably
- 15 <u>effective way.</u>

